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## 11.1 GOALS:

- 11.1.1 To become familiar with the use of fluorescence as it applies to the detection of amplified DNA, including the fluorescent dyes and wavelengths used for detection of the PowerPlex<sup>®</sup> 16 BIO loci.
- 11.1.2 To develop an understanding and working knowledge of fluorescence detection using the FMBIO Fluorescent Image Analysis System (Hitachi/MiraiBio), including the limitations.
- 11.1.3 To develop a thorough understanding of how the FMBIO II/FMBIO III Plus Fluorescent Image Analysis System works.

#### 11.2 TASKS:

- 11.2.1 Scan electrophoresis gels using the FMBIO Fluorescent Image Analysis System. Refer to the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Forensic Science Forensic Biology Section

  Procedure Manual, Section III Fluorescent Detection PCR-Based STR DNA Protocol:

  PowerPlex® 16 BIO System for the procedure.
- 11.2.2 Read applicable literature and become familiar with glossary terms. Refer to Appendices A, B, and C.
- 11.2.3 Continue on to Chapter 12, INTERPRETATION.

### 11.3 TRAINING EVALUATION:

## 11.3.1 Knowledge

- 11.3.1.1 Review of notes and other documentation in training notebook by training coordinator.
- 11.3.1.2 Mini-mock trials and/or question and answer sessions.

#### 11.3.2 Skills

- 11.3.2.1 The trainee should demonstrate a thorough understanding of the FMBIO and the software used for the analysis of the PowerPlex<sup>®</sup>16 BIO typing gels. This will be monitored by review of the documentation in the training notebook and continual observation by the training coordinator.
- 11.3.3 Completion of the trainee checklist by the training coordinator.

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# STUDY QUESTIONS:

- 1. Explain fluorescence detection.
- 2. How does the FMBIO II/FMBIO III Plus Fluorescent Image Analysis System work?
- 2. What is the purpose of the different filters used with the FMBIO II/FMBIO III Plus?
- 3. During the gray level adjustment stage of the scanned image, why is it necessary for the examiner to switch the display mode under "Multi" to "Overlay"?
- 4. What filter is used to detect the fluorescent dye Texas Red<sup>®</sup>- X and on which channel can it be detected? Rhodamine Red<sup>TM</sup>? JOE? Fluorescein?
- 5. When the color/blended image is created for a PowerPlex<sup>®</sup> 16 BIO System gel, the "Color Chooser" button on the Project Box is what color for channel 1, channel 2, channel 3, and channel 4?

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# CHECKLIST FOR FLUORESCENCE DETECTION-POWERPLEX® 16 BIO

Name	of Trainee:		
1.	Trainee has successfully scanned electrophoresis gels using the FMBIO II /FMBIO III Plus Fluorescent Image Analysis System.		
	Date: Training Coordinator:		
	Comments:		
2.	Trainee has successfully sized the typing gels using the STaRCall software.		
	Date: Training Coordinator:		
	Comments:		
3.	Trainee understands the purpose of each of the work sheets generated using the STaRCall software.		
	Date: Training Coordinator:		
	Comments:		
4.	Trainee has developed an understanding of the theory and operation of the FMBIO II/FMBIO III Plu Fluorescent Image Analysis System.		
	Date: Training Coordinator:		
	Comments:		
5.	Notebook is organized and complete.		
	Date: Training Coordinator:		
	Comments:		
6.	Trainee has read and understands all applicable literature.		
	Date: Training Coordinator:		

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